

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 838 - SB 833

March 7, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Increases the maximum fine for aggravated assaults committed against correctional officers who are discharging or attempting to discharge their official duties.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Under current law, aggravated assault may be prosecuted as:
 - Class A misdemeanor, subject to a fine up to \$2,500;
 - Class D felony, subject to a fine up to \$5,000; or
 - Class C felony, subject to a fine up to \$10,000.
- The bill authorizes aggravated assault against a correctional officer to be punished by a fine up to \$15,000.
- Based on the Fiscal Review Committee's 2008 study of incarceration costs and fines, collection of fines for felony offenses is negligible. There will not be a significant increase in revenue as a result of the increased maximum fine.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Spalding".

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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